



# Child Care Profiles

District of Columbia

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## Family Child Care in the District of Columbia

### Population Facts\*

Residents (2000 Census)	572,059
Children under 14	92,466
Children 0 thru 2	19,276
Children 3 thru 4	13,260
Children 5 thru 13	59,930
Median Income	\$40,127
Children in poverty <sup>1</sup>	31.5%
Low-Income Children <sup>1</sup>	50.5%

Licensed Home Capacity = 1,151

Licensed Infant Slots = 451

Licensed Homes = 242

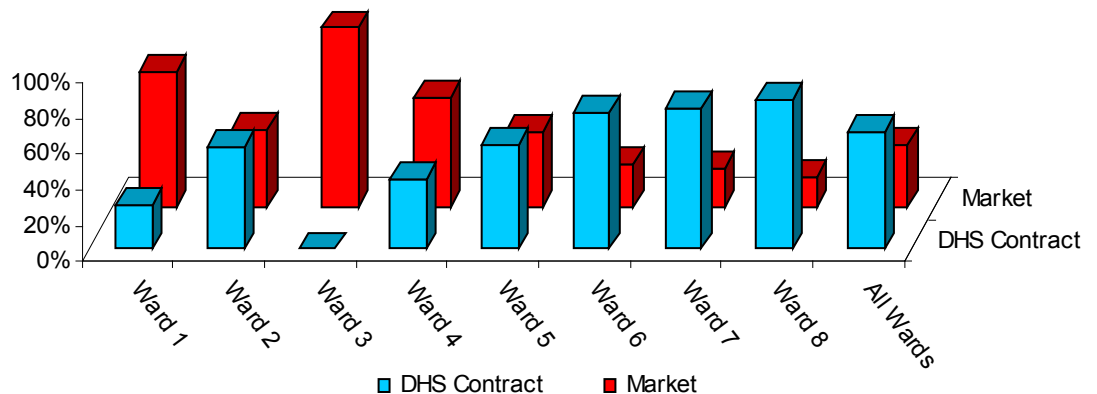
### Enrollment Distribution:

Up to 24 months	38%
Preschool (2-4 yrs.)	44%
School age (4 yrs.+)	10%

### Children on Family Waiting Lists

Total	425
Up to 24 months	287
2-2½ years	72
2½ -4 years	34
4 years +	32

### Type of Family Provider by Ward



### Children Needing Services

Estimated number of children with all parents working:	
★ 0-5	24,480
★ 6-17	49,260
Total	73,740

\* Source: Census 2000

### DC Family Child Care Service Characteristics

#### Services Offered by Home Providers

Service Provided	% of Homes
Full-time care	98%
Part-time care	55%
After School care	50%
Nontraditional hours	23%
Children with disabilities	51%
Emergency/Back-Up	78%

#### Accreditation of Home Providers

Status	% of Homes
Accredited	15%
Have Filed	7%
Preparing to File	21%
Need Information	52%
Need Help with Fees	41%
Need a Mentor	25%

# The DC Family Child Care Provider Workforce

Family Child Care Provider Characteristics				Family Child Care Provider Benefits			
Education		% Family Providers		Type of Benefit	Market Rate	DHS	All
Masters		1.1%		Health Insurance	90.3%	86.0%	87.5%
Bachelors		4.5%		Life Insurance	79.0%	78.1%	78.4%
Associates		10.2%		Retirement	30.6%	31.6%	31.3%
CDA (Child Development Associate)		25.6%		Disability	30.6%	34.2%	33.0%
Annual Revenue	Market	DHS	All	Paid Sick Leave	14.5%	6.1%	9.1%
Median	\$ 18,575*	\$ 21,044**	\$ 19,485	Paid Vacation	25.8%	13.2%	17.6%
Mean	\$ 23,529	\$ 21,660	\$ 20,917	Other	1.6%	1.8%	1.7%
* Based on Median Enrollment of 3				No Benefits	6.5%	7.9%	7.4%
** Based on Median Enrollment of 4							
NOTE: 25% of family providers make \$10,671 per year or less; 25% make \$28,935 per year or more.							

## Family Provider Housing Type

Facility Type	Market Rate	DHS Contract	All Homes
Own	75.8%	66.7%	69.9%
Rent	22.6%	30.7%	27.8%
Walk-up Apt	9.7%	11.4%	10.8%
Town/Rowhouse	50.0%	36.0%	40.9%
Single Detached	12.9%	28.1%	22.7%
Semi-Detached	22.6%	14.9%	17.9%

## Daily Child Care Rates

Family Child Care Providers			
Service Group	Market Rate (75th percentile)	DHS Contract	All Providers
Infant	\$ 35.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Toddler I	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
Toddler II	\$ 28.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00
Preschool	\$ 28.00	\$ 29.00	\$ 29.00
School Age	\$ 28.70	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00

## Willingness to Expand

Expansion Criteria	% of Providers
Ability to Enlarge Facility	64.2%
Willingness to Hire Assistant	73.3%
Monetary Needs to Aid Expansion	
Renovation and Equipment	63.6%
Architectural Assistance	44.9%
Additional Trained Staff	54.5%

1 US Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2004 Annual Social and Economic Supplement, Poverty by State 2003, Below 100% and Below 200% of Poverty—People Under 18 Years of Age

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